

19th December 1922] [The Raja of Panagal]

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| 19. M.R.Ry. S. | Muttumanickachariyar | 23. M.R.Ry. | Diwan Bahadur L. A. Govinda- |
| | Avargal. | | raghava Ayyar Avargal. |
| 20. „ | Rao Sahib M. C. Madurai Pillai | 24. „ | Diwan Bahadur C. Arunachala |
| | Avargal. | | Mudaliyar Avargal. |
| 21. „ | Diwan Bahadur T. N. Sivag- | 25. „ | Rao Bahadur K. Gopalakrish- |
| | nanam Pillai Avargal. | | nayya Garu. |
| 22. „ | Rao Bahadur T. Namberumal | 26. „ | C. Ramalinga Reddi Garu, and |
| | Chettiyar Avargal. | 27. the mover." | |

The hon. Rai Bahadur K. VENKATAREDDI NAYUDU :—"I second it."

The RAJA OF RAMNAD :—"May I request the hon. the Minister to consider the name of Mr. P. C. Muttu Chettiyar for inclusion in the Select Committee?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"The hon. Member the Raja of Ramnad is probably aware that he is not quite in order. If he wants to suggest any such thing he should have put forward his suggestion in the shape of an amendment to the motion. I do not think it is open to the hon. the Raja of Panagal to add another name, because I have already put the question to the House. I think we cannot entertain the proposal now."

The motion that the Bill be referred to a select committee was put and carried.

(2)

THE MADRAS IRRIGATION BILL, 1922.

The hon. Mr. K. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR :—"Sir, there has been a general desire expressed that more time should be given to consider this important measure before it is introduced into the Council. The Government desire that this should be done, and, as I take it that there is a very considerable amount of misapprehension with regard to the provisions of this Bill, it will be of use if I do not introduce it now. I hope to have an opportunity of removing those misapprehensions, and I therefore formally move that this item of business be adjourned to the January sitting of this Council."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD HABIB-UL-LAH SAHIB Bahadur :—"I second it."

The motion was put and carried.

(3)

A BILL TO PROVIDE FOR THE SPEEDY TRIAL OF MAPPILLA REBELLION CASES IN MALABAR, 1922.

The hon. Mr. A. R. KNAPP :—"Mr. President, I beg to introduce the Malabar (Completion of Trials) Act, 1922. The Statement of Objects and Reasons, as published, has given, in some detail, the reason which led the Government to bring forward this piece of emergency legislation, and I do not think I need add very much to what is said there. As the Council are aware, the arrangements for the trial of prisoners in connexion with the Malabar rebellion have been made all through by a series of special ordinances issued by the Governor-General. At first there was the Martial Law ordinance, under which certain courts were established under the authority of the military commander, and subsequently a special tribunal was instituted. That ordinance was in force till February last. At the time when it lapsed we found that a very large number of cases had to be dealt with, which the ordinary courts of the district were not competent to deal with. A further ordinance was found necessary, and that took the form of the Malabar Restoration of Order Ordinance, 1922, under which